

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: ARAD, Eli, et al.
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Mail Stop Amendment
Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 14, 2008 applicants respectfully request reconsideration for the reasons set forth in the Remarks below. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time, including the required fee.

REMARKS

Regarding the Claims Generally

Claims 1-6, 8, 10, and 11, of which claims 1 and 6 are independent, are currently pending, with no amendments proposed herein.

Regarding the Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

Claims 1-5 stand rejected as unpatentable over Stookey U.S. patent 2,651,145 (Stookey) in view of Moffatt U.S. patent RE37, 290 (Moffatt), and claims 6, 8, 10, and 11 stand rejected as unpatentable over Stookey in view of Moffatt, and further in view of Bartholomew U.S. patent 4,160,654 (Bartholomew). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.